Use of unmanned Spy Planes by Pakistan

3398. DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA:
SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan is using unmanned spy planes for tracking border areas along Rajasthan;

(b) whether these planes are taking photographs of Indian security forces and find safe spots for sending intruders during night;

(c) if so, what are the recommendations of Dinesh Goswami Committee in this regard; and

(d) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI KRISHNAMRAJU): (a) and (b) No. Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Defence purchases scandal

3399. SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY:
SHRI ABANI ROY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI has recently unearthed a scandal relating to passing information on defence purchases to dealers;

(b) if so, the *modus operandi* of the scandal;

(c) whether secrecy is not maintained by officials of the Defence services and even the retired officials have an access to get confidential information from the key posts; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to check such trend?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) and (b) Based on a complaint made by the Air Headquarters, the CBI have registered a regular case against certain Air Force personnel pertaining to leakage of sensitive information of the Indian Air Force to unauthorized persons. Details regarding *modus operandi* would be known only after conclusion of the investigations.

(c) and (d) Instructions exist for maintaining confidentiality about classified information and for not divulging the same to unauthorized persons